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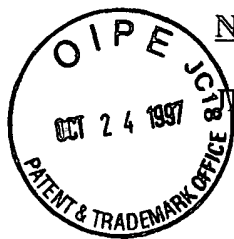
Dear Sir:

Enclosed are copies of the following documents:

U.S. PATENTS

<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>ISSUE DATE</u>	<u>INVENTOR(S)</u>
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Foreign Patent Documents



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JP 2,279,875	12/87	Japan

JP 2,279,875 has not been translated by the Applicants or their representatives. The Derwent abstract states: "Method and appts. to automatically sort fruit and vegetables - using cameras to measure shape size, damage and colour, and issue sorting signals" and "Automatically sorting fruit and vegetables including taking pictures of fruit and vegetables conveyed to a measuring section by a colour camera to measure the shape, size, damage, and colour and issuing sorting signals."

Also enclosed is a PTO Form 1449 listing the cited references and a copy of each of these references is enclosed.

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